

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 33 and 39-42 and cancel claims 35 and 38 as follows.

1-32. (Canceled)

33. (Currently Amended) A photo-luminescent device, comprising:

a substrate having at least one of a channel and a depression formed therein; and

a fused and exposed photo-luminescent material located in at least one and extending to below a top of any given said one of a channel and a depression, said photo-luminescent material being a dry powder formulation fused to said one of a channel and a depression and composed substantially of a photo-luminescent pigment and a carrier/fixer;

where said photo-luminescent material exhibits substantially the same strength and durability properties as said carrier/fixer.

34. (Original) The photo-luminescent device of claim 33, wherein said substrate is one of a step nosing and a handrail.

35. (Canceled)

36. (Original) The photo-luminescent device of claim 33, wherein each said one of a channel and a depression is formed of a plurality of substrate-interior surfaces, each said substrate interior surface of at least one said one of a channel and a depression being covered with a thick-film of said photo-luminescent material.

37. (Original) The photo-luminescent device of claim 33, wherein said photo-luminescent material is finally formed upon cooling from a molten mix state thereof.

38. (Canceled)

39. (Currently Amended) A photo-luminescent device, created by preparing a dry powder formulation, providing a substrate having one of a depression and a channel therein, the one of a depression and a channel being adapted to receive the dry powder formulation, depositing the dry powder formulation onto the substrate to thereby fill the one of a depression and a channel, the formulation being deposited by operation of gravity, and heating the dry powder formulation to fuse it to the substrate to thereby create a fused material, the photo-luminescent device comprising:

asaid substrate having at least one of a channel and a depression therein, each said at least one of a channel and a depression including a plurality of surfaces; and

atthe fused photo-luminescent material being located in at least one said one of a channel and a depression, said photo-luminescent material being in the form of a thick film on said surfaces of said at least one said one of a channel and a depression, said photo-luminescent material being contained entirely within said at least one said one of a channel and a depression.

40. (Currently Amended) The photo-luminescent device of claim ~~33~~39, wherein said substrate is one of a handrail and a step nosing.

41. (Currently Amended) The photo-luminescent device of claim ~~33~~39, wherein said photo-luminescent material is composed substantially of a photo-luminescent pigment and a carrier/fixer.

42. (Currently Amended) The photo-luminescent device of claim ~~33~~39, wherein said photo-luminescent material consists essentially of a photo-luminescent pigment, a carrier/fixer, and at least one of a flow and degassing additive that is capable of improving at least one of melt properties and a smoothness of a surface finish.